

Cloze Paragraph: The Bear and the Rabbit

Directions: Read the paragraph and choose the right word to fill in the blank.

anyone	be	bear's	can	day	He
him	in	so	singing	the	you

Once there was a very big bear. He lived 1.____ the woods. He

was sad because he didn't have 2._____ to play with.

He said to his father, "How 3.____ I find a friend?"

His father said, "By being 4.____."

"But all the animals are afraid of me," said 5.____ bear. "I can't even get near them."

But one 6.____ the bear was sitting by a river. He was

7._____ softly to himself. A rabbit lived near the river.

8.____ looked out of his hole when he heard the 9._____ song.

He thought, "Anyone who sings like that must 10.____ nice.

Maybe I don't need to be afraid of 11.____. It would be nice to have a friend." And 12. ____ the bear got a friend.

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Questions:

1. Have you ever had trouble making a friend?

2. How could you help someone who is feeling lonely?

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Answer Key

Once there was a very big bear. He lived in **the** woods. He was sad because he didn't have **anyone** to play with.

He said to his father, "How **can** I find a friend?"

His father said, "By being **you**."

"But all the animals are afraid of me," said **the** bear. "I can't even get near them."

But one **day** the bear was sitting by a river. He was **singing** softly to himself. A rabbit lived near the river. **He** looked out of his hole when he heard the **bear's** song. He thought, "Anyone who sings like that must **be** nice. Maybe I don't need to be afraid of **him**. It would be nice to have a friend." And **so** the bear got a friend.

Answers:

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| 1. the | 7. singing |
| 2. anyone | 8. He |
| 3. can | 9. bear's |
| 4. you | 10. be |
| 5. the | 11. him |
| 6. day | 12. so |